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NRC ISSUES REVIEW STANDARD FOR EXTENDED POWER UPRATES

The Nuclear Regulatory Commission has issued its "Review Standard for Extended Power Uprates" (RS-001) for nuclear power plants.

An uprate allows a licensee to operate a plant at an increased power level. Extended power uprates result in increases generally between 10 percent and 20 percent of the licensed power level, and usually require significant modifications to major plant equipment. The review standard informs potential applicants and other stakeholders of the information the staff needs to perform its review.

The review standard is available through the NRC's Agencywide Documents Access and Management System (ADAMS) on the agency's web site, by entering accession number ML033640024 at this address: http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/adams/web-based.html. Help in using ADAMS is available from the Public Document Room staff by calling 1-800-397-4209.

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